Central assistance to Madhya Pradesh for expansion of technical know-how

1235. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:
SHRI CHANDAN SHARMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have decided to aid or assist the Madhya Pradesh Government for their projects to expand their technical know-how and to strengthen resources in agriculture; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARI KRISHNA SHASTRI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Visiting Team has been deputed to select sites for two Krishi Vigyan Kendras in Madhya Pradesh through which technical know-how will be imparted to farmers for increasing their production.

Setting up of a Composite Steel Plant in Madhya Pradesh

1236. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hindustan Development Corporation Ltd., has been taken effective steps to set up a composite steel plant in the State of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) what are the total projects that will be undertaken and what will be the cost of these projects; and

(c) to what extent steel production will be improved?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The project involves setting up of an electric arc furnace for captive steel making to be used for manufacture of wire rods and light structurals. The cost of the project is reported to be about Rs. 67 crores.

(c) Commercial production of the products proposed to be manufactured will augment domestic availability.

Agreement with United Nations Development Programme

1237. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of India had signed three agreements with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how much UNDP assistance is being allocated to Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RADHAKRISHAN MALVIYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The three project agreements signed on 14th June, 1989 are as follows:—

(i) Provision of Procurement Services — Hi-Tech. Equipment —

This aims at providing procurement expertise & Services for preparation of technical specifications & bidding documents and training of counterpart staff in the application of International Competitive Bidding Procedures (ICB) needed for the Scheme of Hi-tech. Equipment under the World Bank Project. The UNDP input is US $ 572,300.00—

(ii) Training of Trainers (AVTS Programme)—

The project envisages provision

of Fellowship Training to trainers & key personnel under AVTS programme working at Central & State Governments. Institutions, to be preceded by a study tour of senior officials of the Central & State Governments for identifying suitable training locations. The UNDP input is US $ 511,000.00. ILO is the executing agency for the project.

(iii) Establishing CNC Facilities at Advanced Training Institute Kanpur and Bombay.

Under the project, Numerically Controlled/Computer Numerically Controlled Centres are to be established at Advanced Training Institute Kanpur and Bombay with UNDP assistance. The project envisages supply of equipment, Foreign expertise for installation/commissioning of the equipment and development of instructional materials. It also envisages training of Indian counterpart staff abroad in the operation of the Numerically Controlled/Computer Numerically Controlled machines including programming. The UNDP input is US $ 700,000.00.

(c) As the above the Central Sector projects, question of allocating UNDP assistance separately to Andhra Pradesh does not arise.

Survey reports on transport bottleneck problem in Delhi

1238. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the dates when the first ever survey of the current problem of tansport bottleneck in Delhi was begun and was submitted to Government and who headed it;

(b) the subsequent dates when studies, surveys etc., of this problem were made and submitted to Government and who headed the team in each case;

(c) the cost of each exercise;

(d) the then estimates (made in each exercise) of the schemes envisaged to ease the situation; and

(e) the estimated escalation in each case due to delay in decision-takings, as at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) As per records available with Town and Country Planning Organisation (TCPO), the first survey of the problem of transport in Delhi was made at TCPO in 1957 while preparing the Master Plan for Delhi. At that time, the Organisation was known as Town Planning Oganisation headed by a Chairman. The recommendations of the survey were incorporated in the Master Plan which was approved by the Government of India in 1962.

(b) A list of some of the important studies made after 1971 is in the enclosed Statement I (*See* below).

(c) As per information available, for some studies/surveys, payment was made and some studies/surveys were carried out by officers for which no specific payment was made excepting usual expenses like TA/DA etc. Details of the cost of the exercise for which information is available, are given in the enclosed statement II (*See* below).

(d) and (e) The various studies/surveys made from time to time mooted a number of proposals containing a variety of options relating to alignment, technology and related matters. However, detailed estimated cost for such a mass rapid transport system can be worked out only after a detailed feasibility study.